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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Administration
FROM : Clifford D. May, Jr.
Director of Data Processing
SUBJECT : ODP Report for Week Ending 9 September 1977

EAG Project Review

ODP has received 11 of 18 responses for projects to be reviewed by the EAG. Because responses have not been received on schedule and because we have not resolved the issue of the capacities for Batch, VM, and GIMS processing, ODP has requested that the first EAG review be delayed from 27 September to 20 October. This first meeting will be an overview of the total requirements of the 18 projects. [REDACTED]

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ODP May Not Receive COMIREX Funds

The Comptroller has advised that ODP may not be given the \$225K that COMIREX is providing to the Agency. It was originally believed that the \$225K would be given to ODP for payment for CAMS terminals in FY-77. Since ODP would not use these funds for restocking the terminal inventory in FY-77, the Comptroller will decide how the Agency will use these funds. A final decision will be made at the September Comptroller's meeting. [REDACTED]

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IBM Corporation Refuses Request to Change Payment Plan

The IBM Corporation has informed ODP and OL that they will not convert the Alternate Payment Plan on the IBM 360/195 from an annual payment to a monthly payment basis. The effect of this IBM refusal on ODP efforts to replace the IBM 360/195 is being assessed. [REDACTED]

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Brandon-Wolfe Programming Aptitude Test Validation

A second meeting was held with [REDACTED] of OMS/Psychological Services Staff to discuss this project. We have jointly identified approximately 150 ODP employees who have taken the Brandon-Wolfe Programming Aptitude Test. The psychologists hope to be able to compare the relative success

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of these employees as programmers in ODP with their Brandon-Wolfe and PATB scores to determine whether either test or a combination of the two provides a reliable prediction of success as a programmer in ODP. The MZ Career Board will select 8 senior managers who will evaluate those who have taken the test as to programming performance, potential as systems analysts, and potential as manager/supervisors. They will also indicate how confident they feel of each evaluation. Obviously, not everyone who has taken the test can be fairly evaluated in all categories. Statistical methods will be used to sort out evaluations which are not statistically significant and should not be used. Hopefully, starting with 150 employees will yield a sufficient sample to determine whether the Brandon-Wolfe Test is a useful predictor. The individual ratings assigned by each evaluator are confidential and will not be used for any other purpose than validating the test. [REDACTED]

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CAMS

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We have completed plans for supporting a retrieve-only version of CAMS in the Ruffing Computer Center during the power outage on the weekend of 10-11 September [REDACTED]. A final test of this procedure was made Thursday, 8 September. [REDACTED]

Successful Installation of JES3 in Ruffing Computer Center

The JES3 system was successfully placed in production on 6 September. (See ODP Report for Week Ending 19 August 1977.) Minor problems were encountered and have been corrected. The system has remained stable and is performing satisfactorily. [REDACTED]

STAR Data Base Crosschecked

A full crosscheck of the DDO's [REDACTED] data base was accomplished in the Special Center, GC-47, during the weekend of 3-4 September. [REDACTED]

RAPID

The contractor's claim and associated proposals are undergoing detailed, coordinated review by [REDACTED] ODP and OL. (See ODP Report for Week Ending 2 September 1977.) Every effort is being made to prepare the Agency's response in as timely a manner as possible. The contractor has been reminded that the present contract is still valid and in effect, and as such the Agency expects work to continue on RAPID's development. [REDACTED]

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Training

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A four day course, Intermediate VM, was completed by
18 students. [REDACTED]

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